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1. On 8 May 1954 a nation-wide meeting, organized by the Blood Bank (Vérado' Központ), was held in Budapest to promote blood donations. Physicians, important Party and government officials, as well as donors from all parts of Hungary attended the meeting. Approximately 60 donors received a decoration for "distinguished services." While one of the open sessions was devoted to summing up the progress of the propaganda campaign, future plans were discussed only in executive sessions.
2. Contrary to previous practice, no more than 250 to 350 centimeters of blood are taken from any donor at one time. This is reported to be in line with the practice of Soviet public health experts.

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